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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Please amend the abstract as follows:

Delete therefore the Abstract of the Disclosure.

After "Abstract" delete therefore

"The present invention provides a solid soap composition comprising: a soap component (a); polyoxyalkylene'modified polysiloxane (b) that is expressed by formula (1) below.

Si--CH31 (1)

CH3

\ CH3 \(CH2)e-O-(C2H40)b-(C3HsO)c-R1

CH3

(where, R1 represents a hydrogen atom or an al~] group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms, m represents an integer of I to 60, zI represents an integer of 1 to 60, a represents an integer of 1 to 10, b represents an integer of I to 30, and c represents an integer of 0 to 30); and tetrakis (2-hydroxyalkyl) ethylene diamine (c) that is expressed by formula (2) below.

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R ~HCH2C,~

~CH2CH~R4

/N~CH2CH2--N~

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R3~H .CH2C

CH2C. H~R5

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(where, R2 to R5 are the same or different and each independently represent a hydrogen atom or an aryl group having I to 5 carbon atoms), as essential components. According to the present invention, it is possible to provide a cleaning agent capable of performing makeup removal and ordinary facial cleaning at the same time in single facial cleaning that has sufficient foaming property, that provides a clean feel after cleaning, and that can sufficiently remove not only cosmetic foundation but also pigments."

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-----A solid soap composition which comprises as essential ingredients a soap ingredient (a), a specific polyoxyalkylene- modified polysiloxane Co), and a tetrakis(2hydroxyalkyl)ethylenediamine (c). It is a detergent with which makeup removal and Art Unit: 1796

ordinary face washing can be simultaneously conducted at a time. It lathers well and gives a fresh use feeling after washing. It can sufficiently remove not only foundations but acid pigments.-----

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record does not teach or suggest applicant's soap bar composition comprising a mixture of a specific polyoxyalkylene polysiloxane and a tetrakis (2-hydroxyalkyl) ethylene diamine. Moreover, applicant's have shown that the mixture of the two ingredients, polyoxyalkylene polysiloxane and a tetrakis (2-hydroxyalkyl) ethylene diamine unexpectedly had better makeup, facial and lipstick cleaning efficiency. Accordingly, the restriction requirement is withdrawn and claims are allowable over the art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Necholus Ogden, Jr. whose telephone number is 571-272-1322. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Thu.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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